

LAW DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

TO: Dr. W. Edwards  
DATE: 30 May 1979  
FROM: A. Palmer, Jr. 878  
SUBJECT: YOUR INVENTION DISCLOSURE PM 893

This will notify you formally of my conclusions on the question of inventorship, after careful study of all the available evidence.

I believe it is legally correct to consider Dr. Chavdarian the sole inventor of the subject matter described in his disclosure of March 30, 1979. This result is confirmed by the advisory group of Drs. Gannon, Bokelman, Bourlas and Pages, and is based primarily on the fact that Chuck's records antedate anything you had to show us.

You will appreciate, of course, that we fully accepted the truthfulness of everything you said--but even your own comments about what happened so long ago were not entirely free of doubt. In the absence of sufficient documentation on your part, either at or close to the time about a year ago when Chuck began work on the project, we found no basis for concluding now that anything you may have said to him would have had any bearing on the direction he took.

I hope you will find this an acceptable resolution of the questions you raised, and I assure you that we tried to be entirely objective about the whole matter and fair to both of you.

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